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RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action of March 22, 2002 in which the Examiner rejected claims 1-10 as anticipated by Kondo U.S. Patent No. 5,586,254.

Based on the following remarks, the application is deemed to be in condition for allowance and action to that end is respectfully requested.